



# *Covenant Reformed Church*

## Announcement Bulletin

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### *THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE*

#### MONDAY

7:00 pm: PCHS Board Meeting

7:00 pm: PCGS Board Meeting

7:30 pm: Elders meeting

#### THURSDAY

9:00 am: Bulletin Announcement Deadline

#### FRIDAY

9:30 am: Christmas Worship Service

Offering: Wycliff - Le Mahieus

Infant Nursery: Denise Ver Meer, Marilyn Ver Meer

Toddler: Val Bandstra, Laura Vos, Emily Gullion

Floater: Diane Van Gorp

### *NEXT SUNDAY, DECEMBER 27, 2009*

Our services will be led today by our pastor, Rev. Patrick Edouard.

9:30 am: Morning Worship Service.

6:30 pm: Evening Worship Service

#### **Offerings**

(am) CEAF

(pm) Luke's Society

#### **Infant Nursery**

(am) Ruth Gorter, Irene Blom

(pm) Erma Stursma, Coretha Rozendaal

#### **Toddler Nursery**

(am) Chris & Amy Stolfus, John Meinders

(pm) Amanda Bohanan, Mitchell Fopma

Floater: (am) Rochelle De Bruin (pm) Sharon Fopma

#### **Enfolding**

Bob & Mary Vander Wilt

#### **Greeters**

Jim & Diane Van Gorp

#### **Impromptu Hospitality Hosts**

Clarence & Marlene Hettinga

#### **Librarians**

(am) Mary Ann Olivier, Ruth Gorter, Erma Stursma

(pm) Jan Dieleman, Cheryl Fynaardt, Rochelle De Bruin

**ADVANCE NOTICE**

Monday, December 28: Deacons Meeting at 7:30 pm  
Thursday, December 31: Bulletin Deadline at 9:00 am  
Old Years Worship Service at 7:00 pm  
Offering: Mid American Reformed Seminary  
Infant Nursery: Verna Zylstra, LuAnn Blom  
Toddler: Darcy Horstman, Kim Van Zee  
Floater: Cheryl Fynaardt

Friday, January 1: New Years Worship Service at 9:30 am  
Offering: Pella Pregnancy Care Center  
Infant Nursery: Steve & Sara Runner  
Toddler: Craig & Adele Shannon Family  
Floater: Leisa Zylstra

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Choir** – please meet in the balcony on Christmas morning at 8:45am for rehearsal.

If any **Seek & Serve Society** members would still like to give to the Christmas offering for Mission India, they can give it to Sylvia Nieuwsma today.

**2009 Budget Report**

	<i>2009 Budget</i>	<i>Monthly Given</i>	<i>Difference</i>
January	\$ 30,618.33	\$ 26,930.00	(\$3,688.33)
February	\$ 30,618.33	\$ 31,502.00	\$883.67
March	\$ 30,618.33	\$ 41,363.31	\$10,744.98
April	\$ 30,618.33	\$ 26,564.00	(\$4,054.33)
May	\$ 30,618.33	\$ 34,016.00	\$3,397.67
June	\$ 30,618.33	\$ 25,125.00	(\$5,493.33)
July	\$ 30,618.33	\$ 23,484.00	(\$7,134.33)
August	\$ 30,618.33	\$ 36,771.77	\$6,153.44
September	\$ 30,618.33	\$ 25,311.00	(\$5,307.33)
October	\$ 30,618.33	\$ 22,780.00	(\$7,838.33)
<u>November</u>	<u>\$ 30,618.33</u>	<u>\$ 37,656.00</u>	<u>\$7,037.67</u>
Year to Date	\$336,801.63	\$ 331,503.08	(\$5,298.55)

### November Giving

Budget	\$37,656.00
Building Fund	\$3,717.95
C.E.A.F.	\$3,152.45
MARS	\$500.00
Dordt College	\$1,179.20
Missions	\$175.00
Benevolence	\$405.00
Hope Ministries	\$1,180.10
Puritan Reformed Seminary	\$1,595.20
Davoa Reformed Church - Vic Bernales	\$947.91
Word and Deed	\$983.62
Wycliffe	\$50.00
Katelyn - Turkey mission	\$150.00
Bethany Christian Services	\$500.00

Next Sunday evening an offering will be taken for the **Luke Society**. The Luke Society is an interdenominational organization of Christian health and business professionals dedicated to medical missions. We support indigenous Christian health professionals who have a vision to reach their own people. Our focus is on community health-teaching people how to prevent disease and equipping people to care for themselves, their families and their communities. Besides teaching prevention, we also provide medical care for the sick and comfort for the dying. When appropriate, we help initiate economic development projects to assist people in providing for their families. Most important, ours is a Christ-centered ministry of evangelism and discipleship, reconciling man to God, and man to man through the truth of the gospel.

The **Covenant Reformed GEMS and Cadets** are requesting donations for our food drive for Hope Ministries. This drive is to replenish their supplies after the long holiday and during the winter season. All items will be delivered in January. There will be a collection box in the back of church and at Pella Fareway. Hope Ministries provided a list of the things that they will be in need of: liquid laundry detergent, dishwashing liquid, caffeinated coffee, canned vegetables (particularly cut green beans), canned fruit (particularly pineapple), non-stick cooking spray, Pull-ups for girls and boys, size 5 and 6 diapers, and hand sanitizer. Thank you for your help during this Christmas season.

Thank you to everyone who purchased puff pastries this year thru **Covenant Reformed Young Peoples Society (CRYPS)**. If you have not picked up your puff pastries please do so after church in the kitchen. If you have not paid for your puff pastries, there will be a box in the kitchen that you may put your envelopes or checks in, they are \$8.00 for a bakers dozen. There are extras available so if you would like more or did not order any please let us know. Thanks again for helping the CRYPS have a successful fundraiser.

### **REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Pella Senior Meals** is in need of people to deliver meals from January 4-15. If you are interested, please sign up on the sheets on the counter in the narthex. Thank you.

*Coming Home for Christmas*, a concert of Christmas music and other pieces, features Laurinda Nikkel, graduate of PCHS and daughter of Bruce & Jan Nikkel. Joining Laurinda are pianist Kris De Wild, the PCHS Chamber Choir, and Nikkel family members for an evening of delightful music and praise on **Tuesday, December 22** at 7:00 PM in the Pella Christian Vermeer Auditorium. No tickets required – freewill

**Bibles for Missions Thrift Center** now has brochures, and application for volunteers and a box for returning applications in the information center at the back of church. Thanks for your donations and please consider working as volunteers at the center. Remember us in your prayers that God will bless us in this venture. We hope to be open in January. Please come shop with us. Profits will go to buying Bibles for Romania through the World Home Bible League. Contact us if you have a question, Jerry and Darlene Van Hal.

**Are you short on cash at the end of the month?** If so, come join us for the Free End of the Month Meals on Monday, December 28th, at the Trinity Church Activity Center-407 Franklin-Pella. Serving from 5:30 to 6:30 PM. No questions asked & no reservations required.

The “**Bibles for Missions Thrift Center**”, opening in Pella in early January, needs volunteers and merchandise. Call Rob and Sandy De Cook at 628-2724 or contact Glenn Matherly at [gmatherly@iowatelecom.net](mailto:gmatherly@iowatelecom.net) to let them know when you will help.

Bring your new and gently used furniture, housewares, antiques, jewelry and toys to the Center at 2500 Fifield Fridays and Saturdays between 10 – 2. (closed holidays) Profits from the store will help provide Bibles to Christians in Romania. If you have a passion for missions, this is your opportunity to help.